

- (c) whether the water was sold in the said areas ;
- (d) whether the same was brought to the notice of the Government during the last Sessions of the Assembly ;
- (e) whether the Government would keep up the assurance given in the last Session ;
- (f) whether there is any proposal to take immediate steps to solve the water problem and underground drainage of Tumkur Town ?

Sri B. M. PATIL (Minister of State for Municipal Administration).—

(a) The reasons are as follows :—

(i) Water Supply :—(1) The investigation of sources for augmenting water supply to Tumkur Town could not be taken up during the monsoon period on account of flow in the halla at the sites selected for sinking test wells (2) The scheme can be finalised only after investigation of suitable source (3) The Municipality deposited the amount for investigation work only during August 1968.

(ii) Underground Drainage Scheme :—This will have to be implemented only after providing adequate water supply since the success of the Underground drainage system depends on adequate water supply.

(b) Yes.

(c) No such instances have been noticed or reported by anyone.

(d) No.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) Yes.

Deaths due to the Drinking of French Polish

368. Sri S. R. BOMMAI (Kundagol).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that there were 15 deaths in Hubli City on or about 17th December 1968 due to alleged drinking of French Polish ;

(b) whether the Government has held any investigation regarding the supply and sale of French Polish to the deceased ;

(c) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that large scale sale of French Polish to lower class people has resulted in deaths often ?

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Chief Minister).—

(a) 17 deaths were reported in Hubli City between 12th December and 18th December 1968 due to alleged drinking of French Polish.

(b) This aspect of the matter is being enquired into by the Deputy Commissioner, Dharwar (Excise Branch).

(c) No.

Payment of Compensation to Displaced Village Officers and other Subordinate Staff

950. Sri T. R. SHAMANNA (Fort).—

Will the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that a large number of village officers and subordinate staff officials who have been displaced have not been given compensation that is due to them;

(b) the steps proposed to be taken to give the compensation and other benefits to which they are entitled?

Sri H. V. KOUJALGI (Minister for Revenue).—

(a) Yes.

(b) (1) Budget provision of Rs. 1,64,72,000 has been made for the year 1969-70.

(2) Time has been extended for submitting the applications for regrant of lands till 30th April 1969.

Execution of Cauvery Scheme for providing additional] water supply to Bangalore City

951. Sri T. R. SHAMANNA (Fort).—

Will the Minister of State for Municipal Administration be pleased to state:—

(a) the steps taken to provide finance to implement the Cauvery Scheme meant for additional supply of water to Bangalore City;

(b) whether Government have a definite programme as to how and when the scheme is to be completed?